

HOUSE BILL NO. 106

INTRODUCED BY D. CORDIER

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ACT AS AN OMBUDSMAN FOR THE TOURISM INDUSTRY AND RECREATIONISTS IN ALL MATTERS CONCERNING THE MANAGEMENT AND REGULATION OF THE LEVEL OF FLATHEAD LAKE; AMENDING SECTION 90-1-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 90-1-104, MCA, is amended to read:

"90-1-104. Functions of department of commerce -- recreational development. The department of commerce shall:

(1) exercise state responsibility for that part of recreational planning and development ~~which~~ that is directly related to private investment in recreational facilities;

(2) assemble and correlate information ~~which~~ that may influence the development of recreational enterprises and disseminate it to persons, firms, or corporations interested in constructing or maintaining recreational facilities open to the public; and

~~(3) serve as an ombudsman for the tourism industry and recreationists in all matters concerning the management and regulation of the level of Flathead Lake; and~~

~~(4)~~(3) coordinate the promotion of Indian tourism activities in the state in cooperation with the seven tribal governments and the coordinator of Indian affairs."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Notification to tribal governments.** The secretary of state shall send a copy of [this act] to each tribal government located on the seven Montana reservations and to the Little Shell band of Chippewa.

NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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